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## SUMMARY.

Japanes column, to 50 miles north-east of Tsinan, and is marching to Fanghwa. Another Japanese column expelled the Russians from a post 55 miles north of Tsinan. The Japanese from Haing-king have reached 160 miles north-east of Tsinan—after reaching small bodies of Russian troops, a battle is believed that Admiral Roebucksteyn is making a head southward to avoid the Japanese, and that he is going to Vladivostok.

It is officially known at Tokio or St. Petersburg that Roosevelt's selection of a mediator.

The Government at Washington declares on the higher authority that the statement is not possible terms.

When Metzger protests against Admiral Alcock still drawing a salary of \$100 per annum whilst the families of sailors are being paid.

Deaths and murders of officials in the Army are growing daily.

The German Emperor had a tremendous reception at Tangier.

It is declared that his mission was to uphold England's interests. The Emperor said, "There is no preponderating influence."

He also said that he had come to assert the right that the sovereignty of the Sultan of Tangier of Morocco ought to be maintained.

France has been greatly moved, especially in the French mission to Fox was told to him.

M. Delcasse, speaking in the French Senate, said that the agreements made with Great Britain did not recognise France's special position in Morocco.

It is declared that France was determined, when inspiring any interest, to assure her in the western basin of the Mediterranean.

The Inter-University boat race resulted in a victory for Oxford.

The Court in Paris has decided that Miss Mme. Lewis is not defendant Gardner's wife, and has mulct her in nine-tenths of the costs.

Emile Rousseau, the anarchist, has been sent guilty at Washington of attempting to destroy the statue of Frederick the Great.

A storm of exceptional severity swept over the city early on Sunday morning, doing considerable damage.

Is the neighbourhood of Blackfriars 70 or 80 families were rendered homeless, the storm setting loose out their doors.

Mr. Hall stated yesterday that "something" had been done in reference to the English auto affinity, but it was a matter for the Cabinet.

The Prime Minister has decided to pay a visit to Western Australia.

A telegram addressed by Mr. W. Redmond, M.P., to the Home Office collected in aid of the Red Cross.

It is reported he has supplied a very satisfactory summary of the produce trade of Australia to Great Britain, there being all-round development.

It points out, amongst other things, that Australia's wheat and flour export to Great Britain largely exceed those from Canada.

Its exports were brought to Sydney on board the long drift of the disabled steamer *Pibarita*, which is now repaired.

The Minister of Works, Mr. Dick, necessary to bring Sydney on Wednesday on the line of the Western and Midges.

The Minister for Works left Sydney last night on an extended tour in the northern district.

The Strange branch of the Farmers and Agricultural Association has decided to take up the cause of a Parliamentary candidate at the next election.

The Federal Treasurer's estimate of the current year is likely to be exceeded in the New South Wales revenue shows a slight increase.

Mr. Groom, Treasurer, says that some of the extra will hit him in regard to the surtax revenue returnable.

On Saturday the Postmaster-General in Sydney conversed with the authorities at the General Post Office in Melbourne by telephone.

A list of over 100 country towns already connected or to be connected with the telegraph system has been prepared.

The Sydney State estimation that in the construction of these lines £21,554 will be saved by the use of the condenser system.

M. Moore, Minister for Agriculture, opened the Government Experimental Farm at Cowra yesterday.

In the course of his speech he indicated that the Government was doing its utmost to bring about the closer settlement of the people on the land.

Mr. Waddell, who also spoke, urged the Minister to carry out a water conservation scheme on the Lachlan.

The Pacific Cable Board is claiming over £100,000 from the Commonwealth as a rebate on its charges.

Mr. Roth, Protector of the Aborigines in Western Australia, expresses surprise at the quantities of opium sent to the western districts.

The State Commandant is making representations to the Defence Department with a view to increasing the difficulty regarding the supply of ammunition to rifle clubs.

A meeting held under the auspices of the Iron Trade Council on Friday night a motion was carried protesting against the importation of locomotives.

The £2 million is withholding the £2 for which it was formerly granted to the Parramatta Benevolent Society.

The Western Australian revenue for March was £327,451, as against £323,337 for March, 1904.

The Manly ferry steamer *Kuringalga* crashed into a sandbank at Circular Quay on Saturday night, but was able to get off again.

During the week season, now practically ended, 23,005 bales of wool were carried on the railways—an increase of 10,852 bales.

It is reported that much land is being leased to coloured aliens in Queensland for sugar-growing.

In a speech at Wellington, Mr. Sydney Smith said that the reduction of the English postal rate was the forerunner of Empire penny postage.

The city surveyor, in his annual report, expresses satisfaction with the condition of the public streets and the progress of municipal work.

The Consul-General for France has addressed another letter to Mr. Reid emphasising his views regarding the liberal treatment of French imports.

The Consul-General quotes an article in a Paris paper which states that present financial trouble would result in France adopting retaliatory measures.

During the last quarter 322 persons were buried in the Commonwealth.

A boy died of plague at Newcastle yesterday. Another patient is in a very serious condition. Additional infected rate has been found.

Some Liberal members of the Federal Parliament urge that a people's organisation should be formed to combat the Labour party and its socialism.

The Flying Squadron's general handicap was won by Looe.

At the North Sydney District Swimming Club's carnival, Kewra created a new record for 40 yards, his time being 51.9s.

The Newcastle Cup was won on Saturday by Mr. J. C. Williamson's Zythos.

Mr. W. Kele's Panshawe was the Rosella Rovers' State at Rosella.

Very little business was done in the Stock Exchange market on Saturday, but where transactions took place prices were a shade higher.

The Mining market was inactive, and there were only slight variations in quotations.

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A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, 1 forfeit, with 2s 6d added. The winner of any Hurdle Race will receive 10s extra. About two miles and a half.

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A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, with 1s each, added. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a half.

THE SHEER PRODUCE STAKES.

A handicap sweepstakes of 10s each, half forfeit, or 1s each, if declared and paid to the Secretary of the A.J.C., Sydney, or V.R.C., Melbourne, before 10 a.m. on MONDAY, 2nd April, 1905.

Autumn Meeting of 1905. See Journals. (Entries close 10 a.m. on MONDAY, 2nd April, 1905.)

THE HIGH-WEIGHT HANDICAP.

A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, 1 forfeit, with 2s 6d added. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a half.

THE FLYING HANDICAP.

A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, 1 forfeit, with 2s 6d added. The winner of any Hurdle Race will receive 10s extra. About two miles and a half.

THE MAIDEN STAKES.

A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, 1 forfeit, with 2s 6d added. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a half.

THE WELTER HANDICAP.

A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, 1 forfeit, with 2s 6d added. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a half.

THE EASTER STAKES.

A handicap sweepstakes of 5s each, 1 forfeit, with 2s 6d added. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a half.

THE SYDNEY CLUP.

A handicap sweepstakes of 20s each, half forfeit, or 1s each, if declared before 4 o'clock p.m. on the day of General Entry for Autumn Meeting of 1905. See Journals. (Entries close 10 a.m. on MONDAY, 2nd April, 1905.)

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## SPORTING.

## THE TURF.

A final opportunity will be afforded owners and trainers to-day of nominating for the well-endowed general events to be decided at the A.J.C. on Saturday, the entries closing with the secretary of the V.R.C., Melbourne, before 4 p.m. The events requiring attention are as follows:—First day: First Hurdle Race, 250 yards, 200 s. m.; Easter Stakes, 600 yards, 1m. Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Easter Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Maiden Stakes, 250 yards, 1m.; First Steeplechase, 300 yards, 2m.; First Nursery Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Second Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Final Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Easter Stakes, 600 yards, 1m.; All-change Stake, 600 yards, 1m.; Winter Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Easter Stakes (two-year-olds), 7f.; Cumberland Stakes, 600 yards, 1m.; City Handicap, 600 yards, 1m.; Final Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; M. Plate Handicap, 400 yards, 1m.; Second Steeplechase, 400 yards, 3m.; A.J.C. Plate, 600 yards, 3m.; Second Nursery Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.; Final Handicap, 250 yards, 1m.

Prizes for the A.J.C. Sirs' Proofs Stakes, St. Leger, Draemaster Handicap, Champagne Stakes, and Sydney Cup must be paid at the offices of the V.R.C. before 4 p.m. to-day, owners who wish to escape further liability.

He has a glimpse of his old form in the Rawson Stakes at Roschell on Saturday. In a field of half dozen he was practically unbroken, Cato being favourite with Cherson and Sir Leonard. The track was dry and from the start the barrier was raised and set a pace that considerably bothered his followers. Sir Leonard and Cherson hung on to him right into the straight, but Cato had the lead, the gallant big Gossos soon kept his place, and lasted long enough to defeat the favourite, who finished very fast. Cato would have been beaten by the journey before a bit further, and was beaten by a narrow margin for second place.

Lucknow and Panshaw, who were both returned as winners at Roschell on Saturday, are engaged in some of the big events ahead. Lucknow has 701b. in the general, and in the Doncaster Cup. Lucknow was quite neglected for the Railway Stakes by the general public. Haloya was favourite, but he never showed near the front, and finished fourth. Transvaal, who was second in the race, was a nice long price, and even then he started at 14 to 1. The ancient son of Russley was always nicely placed, and taking charge in the straight, he reached a hollow, and was beaten by a bit further, and was beaten by a narrow margin for second place.

Transvaal and Panshaw, who had not been seen in a race for some time, was in command, and finished in third place. Lucknow's victory was a setback to the public, but it was not for the most part.

The Roschell Handicap, Acrasia and Pierrot were the popular fanciers, the former having a slight call in the quotations, while Famous, Tattereddon, and Tyre, San were not far off, but Trentham ran very well, and at the distance it looked as if he would win. But Acrasia and Panshaw were getting in good form on the outside, and were the best chance.

Transvaal had the lead, but when they reached the straight, he turned back, and was beaten by Acrasia, with Panshaw third. The others turned out as much as 20 to 1 on offer. Famous ran best of the unplaced horses, and finished fourth, the same position he occupied in the previous contest, the previous week. Neither Panshaw nor Lucknow will be penalised for their wins.

Sydney horseriders did well on the opening day of the Newcastle meeting. Panshaw, who won the Open Handicap, and Zephyr, who won the Newcomer Cup, Zephyr is engaged in the Doncaster Handicap with 611b., and his win does not entail a penalty.

The first hurdle race of the season took place at Roschell on Saturday. Only seven horses had been nominated, but the whole of them went to the post. Transvaal, who has been showing fair form on the flat, made a warm favourite, backed at 10 to 1, and on coming to the post, he was beaten by a gallant gelding, with some country form to recommend him. Transvaal, who was second in the race, was a nice long price, and even then he started at 14 to 1. In the final stages it looked as though the latter would be beaten by Acrasia, and Transvaal, but the latter failed at the second last, and the former horse scored a good win from Olymthus.

The last-named, however, had to jump the final fence, and was beaten by a gallant through a breach made in it at the first time round, and thus gained ground.

Kingsdale showed up in a time, but Nostalgia was never in the hunt.

T. Kyle put up a first-class performance at the first-class meeting on Saturday. The programme was made up of 5 events, and of these Kyle rode the winners of three—Portland Light in the Opening Handicap, and Acrasia and La Valette in the Steeplechase.

Mr. H. K. Kyle rode Acrasia in the Lightweight Handicap.

Mr. H. L. Brooks's b g Cato (allow'd), 7b, 1m. (Golding).

Other stars: Bertie, 6t 1m.; Dugger, 6t 1m.; Hough, 5t 1m.; J. C. (Golding); Lister, 6t 1m.; McConville, 6t 1m.; Bertie, 6t 1m.; Giltinan, 6t 1m.; Thomas; Ben-my-Chree, 6t 1m.; A. Gardner, 6t 1m.; Bertie, 6t 1m.; C. (Golding); Biscuit, 6t 1m.

Beating: 5 to 2 each v. Cato (allow'd), 7b, 1m.; Bertie, 6t 1m.; Dugger, 6t 1m.; Hough, 5t 1m.; J. C. (Golding); Lister, 6t 1m.; McConville, 6t 1m.; Bertie, 6t 1m.; Giltinan, 6t 1m.; Thomas; Ben-my-Chree, 6t 1m.; A. Gardner, 6t 1m.; Bertie, 6t 1m.; C. (Golding); Biscuit, 6t 1m.

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## STATE AND FEDERAL FINANCE.

The State Treasurer evidently regards the financial position, as disclosed by the returns of revenue and expenditure just published, as being eminently satisfactory. He points with pride to the fact that, notwithstanding a regrettable decrease of £55,781 in the revenue, there has been a larger decrease of £174,602 in the expenditure in the first nine months of the present financial year compared with the preceding year.

But what does that mean? Merely that the State has the present Government spent a further sum of £18,621

It would, on the basis of its somewhat reduced resources, have equalled in extravagance the greatest spendthrift Administration that this State has ever known.

If this record be indeed satisfactory to the Treasurer and his colleagues, it will scarcely be looked upon as such by the taxpayer.

The shrinkage in revenue may not be pleasing to the Treasurer—declining revenue never is—but it should have been foreseen and provided for. This State is now labouring under a protectionist tariff which is only beginning to become operative. This means reduced imports of dutiable articles, and as a consequence smaller Customs revenue.

Already during the first nine months of the financial year there has been a fall-off of £124,254 under this head, and Sir George Turner is not hopeful that any leeway will be picked up during the next three months.

There has been a reduction also of £53,782 in stamp receipts, and of £77,140 in land revenue.

On the other hand, railways and tramways were accountable for an increase of £172,395, water rates of £22,036,

and severance of £36,701. Such are the most important movements during the first three-quarters of the financial year.

It is not, however, the revenue but the expenditure side of the consolidated revenue account which is of most interest. A Government may by judicious management reduce its expenditure.

In loving memory of my dear husband, Henry Arnold, and our dearly loved son, Annie David, April 3, 1896. Interred Waverley R.C. Cemetery.

God rest his soul. Insetted by his sorrowing mother, wife, and son.

COUGHAN.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Sarah Priscilla Coughan, who departed this life April 3, 1905, aged 80 years. Interred by her loving husband, J. C. Coughan.

FAGAN.—In sad and loving memory of our dear son and brother, Ernest Fagan, who departed this life on April 3, 1905, at Croydon, aged 24 years.

God rest his soul. Insetted by his parents.

GODFREY.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Charles Davis, who died April 2, 1904. Interred by his wife and son, Charles and Harold. His end was peaceful.

DONOGHUE.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband, Robert L. Donoghue, who died April 3, 1901. Interred by his wife and son, Robert, Walter, Arthur, and Henry Donoghue.

DONNELLY.—In fond remembrance of my dear beloved and only dearly loved sister, Annie David, April 3, 1896. Interred Waverley R.C. Cemetery.

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DUNBRIDGE.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Sarah Priscilla Coughan, who departed this life April 3, 1905, aged 80 years. Interred by her loving husband, J. C. Coughan.

FAGAN.—In loving memory of Mary Anne Grimes, who died April 3, 1905, aged 80 years. Interred by her loving wife and nephew, Ria and Andrew Hartmann. At rest.

GRIMES.—In loving memory of Mary Anne Grimes, who departed from us on April 3, 1904. Interred by her loving wife and nephew, Ria and Andrew Hartmann. At rest.

IMPER.—In loving memory of my dear husband, John Imper, who passed away April 3, 1904. Interred by his wife and son, John and Imper.

IMPER.—In loving memory of my dear father, John Imper, who died April 3, 1904. Interred by his wife and daughter, Imper.

JOY.—In fond remembrance of my dear Husband and our beloved Father, Alfred George Joy, who departed this life March 31, 1904, at his home, Kensington, New South Wales. Interred at Burwood Cemetery.

Interred by his son, Alfred, and his wife, Emily, and his brother, Samuel and Alice Partridge.

Loved by his darling wife, so young and fair.

So early called away.

To be forever with the Lord.

In Paradise to bloom.

RETURN THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. CLANSON and FAMILY, of Gladyside, Baulkham Hills, and Children of Mary, Mrs. Sanderson Lloyd, Hunter's Hill, for their kind and thoughtful attention and for their kind words of wreath and sympathy during their late sad bereavement.

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## WAR CONTINUES.

## CAZAR MOST OBDURATE.

## JAPAN'S HOLD OF MANCHURIA.

## BALTIMORE'S OBJECTIVE.

Nothing, it is declared, is officially known at Tokio or St. Petersburg of the selection of President Roosevelt as the mediator between Russia and Japan. The Government at Washington declares that the statement is baseless. Apparently President Roosevelt was only informally acquainted with the details of possible terms of peace.

Messages from St. Petersburg received in France describe the Czar as being the most obstinate member of the war party.

## THE LAND CAMPAIGN.

## JAPANESE OVERRUNNING MANCHURIA.

A Japanese column has arrived at Tamsen, 50 miles north-east of Fu-ku-men, a town on the borders of Mongolia, and is marching to Feng-hwa.

Another Japanese column expelled Russians from Tien-hu-chien, 50 miles north of Tsin-ting.

Japanese from Hsing-king, 50 miles east of Mukden, have reached Shan-cheng-tsze, 150 miles north-east of Tie-ling, and about the same distance north of Hsing-king, after routing small bodies of Russians.

General Linievitch, the Russian commander-in-chief in Manchuria, has stopped the exodus from Harbin, except of women and children.

## THE BALTIK FLEET.

## SEEKING COOLER WATER.

The Paris correspondent of the "Times" reports that it is believed that Admiral Radstevensky, commanding the Baltic Fleet, on his voyage from Madagascar to the Far East is making a bend to the south, in order to avoid the Japanese, and seek cooler water to clean the foul bottoms of his fleet. It is stated that he is going to Vladivostok.

## ALEXIEFF'S LUXURY.

Prince Mestcheryk protests against Admiral Alexieff still drawing a salary of \$20,000 per annum for the Vice-Royalty of Kirin. Peasants have looted the estate of the Prince Yussupoff at Voronezh, South Russia.

The distress at Kharkoff, Little Russia, has been aggravated by the authorities retaining the allowances of the families of soldiers to pay arrears of taxes.

## SECOND EDITION

## THE WAR.

## MUNITIONS FOR VLADIVOSTOK.

## DRIFTING RUSSIAN MINES.

LONDON, April 2.

Ten trains, having aboard provisions and war material, leave St. Petersburg daily for Vladivostok.

Owing to gales, many Russian mines laid off Vladivostok became detached from their moorings, and drifted to the Japanese coast.

Five Russian warships were sighted off Perl, at the southern entrance to the Red Sea, on Saturday.

Fifty Japanese prisoners at Nizhni Novgorod, on the Volga, have committed suicide, some by hara-kiri (suicidewelling), and others by taking arsenic.

## THE CZAR RELENTS.

## HOPE FOR FINLAND.

LONDON, April 2.

It is officially announced that the Czar has re-established the irreversibility of the Judge of Finland from his office. Recruiting of soldiers in Finland is suspended.

## IRISH UNIONISTS.

## LONDON, April 2.

The Unionist members for Ulster in the House of Commons have decided not to support the Government on Irish issues unless Sir Antony MacDonell, the Under-Secretary for Ireland, is transferred from his position.

## RUSSIA.

## MURDERS OF OFFICIALS.

## PEASANTS PILLAGING.

LONDON, March 31.

Outrages and murders of officials in the Caucasus are growing daily. A bomb has been discovered in a room at the Palace Royal Hotel, St. Petersburg.

Peasants have looted the estate of the Prince Yussupoff at Voronezh, South Russia.

The distress at Kharkoff, Little Russia, has been aggravated by the authorities retaining the allowances of the families of soldiers to pay arrears of taxes.

## CONCESSION TO FINLAND.

The Czar has suspended the enforcement of the conscription in Finland for three years.

According to French advices, the concession is in exchange for the offer by the Finns of £500,000 in the present crisis.

## THE ANARCHIST ROUSSEAU.

## AN INADEQUATE PENAULTY.

## HIS AMBITIOUS SCHEME.

LONDON, April 1.

Gessler Rousseau, the anarchist who has been found guilty, at Washington, of attempting to destroy, by an infernal machine, the statue of Frederick the Great, declared that he had spent years in attempting to perfect a contrivance intended to deter the larger nations from intimidating the smaller Powers.

The Recorder, on the man being found guilty, said that the penalty of five years' imprisonment, the maximum for the crime, was a wholly inadequate sentence to pass such a man. Sentence would be postponed indefinitely, so that an inquiry might be made into the mental condition of Rousseau.

## COMMENTS ON THE SITUATION.

The Japanese plans appear to be developing mainly, although absolutely, mystery and smokes to the movements of General Nogi.

It is anticipated that Nogi will be heading north-west of Harbin to cut off railway communication with Siberia, a comprehensive machine, the statue of Frederick the Great, declared that he had spent years in attempting to perfect a contrivance intended to deter the larger nations from intimidating the smaller Powers.

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## SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Sunday.

This morning a special train, let for Broken Hill, among the party were Meares, W. L. Baillieu and T. Luxton, M.L.C., W. B. Carter, president of the Adelaide Stock Exchange, F. Howard (chairman of directors of the Broken Hill Stock Exchange), and about 100 members of the Broken Hill Stock Exchange, who had an opportunity to inspect the principal mines of the Barrier.

It is expected that the party will return on Wednesday.

The party, on arriving at the exhibition of Mr. J. P. Favel, marquis, proprietor and decorator at the South Australian Exhibition on Friday, the outbreak was, however, suspended.

It is expected that the party will return on Saturday.

STOPPED BY A JAPANESE CRUISER.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

While the steamer "Eastern," which has arrived at Townsville on her way from China, was near Malai, she was intercepted by the Japanese cruiser "Niko Maru," and ordered to heave to. A boat from the cruiser came along side and examined the ship's papers, which were considered satisfactory. A blast whistle was used by the cruiser, but the captain of the Eastern took no notice of it. Then the cruiser discharged a gun, which indicated that it meant that the Eastern was to stop, and the steamer did so.

INTERVIEW WITH FATHER HAYS.

AUSTRALIA'S SOCIAL CONDITION.

LAUNCESTON, Sunday.

Father Hays, of the Society of the Precious Blood, has been received by the Northern Tasmania Temperance Alliance. In the course of an interview, he said he had pledged 21,235 men and women to abstain as far as possible from alcohol. Drinking, though very prevalent, was not so disastrous as in England. The social condition of the people in Australia is, on the other hand, far better, and the number pledged, he estimated, 70 to 80 per cent, would keep their promises. Praising the Victorian climate, he said he was a dying man on arriving at Melbourne, but had now wonderfully improved.

## LATE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Wynona, 4,607 tons, Captain Grahame, from Brisbane, Sunday.

Malvern, 1,738 tons, Captain Hill, from Devonport, Melbourne, S. C. agents.

TO-DAY.

Y.M.C.A. Mission to Men: Address, Mr. F. R. Smith, Pitt Street, Sydney. Trades Hall, 7.30 p.m.

Labour Shop Employees' Union: Meeting, Trades Hall, 7 p.m.

Hot Chicks' Association: Meeting, Weller Hall, 7 p.m.

Modjeska: Address, 7 p.m.

Gathering by the Friends of the Poor: Meeting, Friends' Meeting House, 7 p.m.

Temple Royal: "The Betting Book," 8 p.m.

Friendship: "Theatre Royal," 8 p.m.

Modjeska: "The Gipsy," 8 p.m.

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